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[REDACTED] Met with Senator Harry Byrd (I., Va.) and explained our problem with the amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526) requiring a ten percent cut in the overseas personnel of certain agencies. Senator Byrd said that he thought such a cut would be desirable as applied to most agencies and would not be willing to vote to strike the amendment, however he would be willing to support an exemption for CIA.

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[REDACTED] In the absence of Senator William Spong, I talked to Thad Murray and Carolyn Fuller, of his staff, regarding the ten percent cut in certain overseas personnel (S. 3526). They said Senator Spong would probably support an exemption for CIA but would not support a motion to strike the entire amendment.

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25X1 9. [] Met with Hannah McCornack, in the office of Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), and left with her a package of material on section 504(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526). Included in the package was a suggested floor statement, (Miss McCornack had previously received a copy of this from USIA with some additions USIA is suggesting.), a copy of the committee report pertaining to this section and an extract from the Congressional Record containing the discussion on Senator Bellmon's amendment exempting the Department of Agriculture from the 10 percent personnel cut provided for in this section. Miss McCornack said Senator Scott had returned to Washington this morning, but she had not yet had an opportunity to talk with him about introducing the amendment to strike section 504(a).

Later in the day we were advised that Senator Scott had agreed to introduce the amendment.

25X1 10. [] Mr. Scott Cohen, Executive Assistant to Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), addressed the Advanced Intelligence Seminar in one of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee rooms. Cohen's remarks and request for the views of the seminar members stimulated a lively discussion of issues facing the Congress in which the Agency has a particular interest. He spent a considerable amount of time discussing Senator Cooper's bill (S. 2224) to provide for the passage of intelligence information and analyses thereof to the Congress.

In talking with Cohen after his address about the possibility of Senator Percy supporting Senator Scott's amendment to strike section 504(a) of S. 3526, Cohen said he was sure Percy would support a specific Agency exemption from this section but was equally as certain that it would be difficult to get him to vote for Scott's amendment especially in view of the fact Percy is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee which reported this bill out and he is also up for reelection this year.

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25X1 11. [] Met with Sam Goldberg, Legislative Assistant to Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.), to obtain Senator Mathias' support for the Scott amendment to strike section 504(a) of S. 3526. Goldberg said he thought the Senator would be sympathetic both to the Scott amendment and to our position on the dissemination of information provision (section 205) of this bill which I had also discussed with him. He pointed out, however, the Senator would be out of town from tomorrow until 4 June and therefore he would be unable to cast a vote if either of these amendments came up during that period.

25X1 12. [] Mr. Maury and I met with Senator Ernest Hollings (D., S.C.) to solicit his support for Senator Scott's amendment to strike section 504(a) of S. 3526. The Senator asked a number of pertinent questions both as to why the Agency should not be cut and why he should support the amendment to strike all of this section. He seemed particularly persuaded by the judicial argument which we presented that this added to an encroachment by the Foreign Relations Committee on judicial responsibility of other committees (such as the Senate Armed Services and Appropriations Committees) in making cuts in the personnel departments and agencies under their jurisdiction. The Senator said he would support both Senator Scott's amendment and the proposal by Senator Stennis to exempt CIA from this section if the Scott amendment fails to pass the Senate.

25X1 13. [] Received a call from Charles Ablard, General Counsel, USIA, who said they have been talking with Mr. Bob Mosbacher, Legislative Assistant to Senator Howard Baker (R., Tenn.), about the Senator's amendment to strike section 205 of S. 3526 having to do with the dissemination of information abroad by U.S. Government agencies. Ablard suggested we contact Mosbacher and see if we can be of any assistance to him.

Mr. Maury and I visited with Bob Mosbacher who said they thought of calling up the Senator's amendment the latter part of this week but he was having second thoughts about this since he has some concern about the support they will get on the floor. We agreed it would be wise to hold off a few days on this if possible in an effort to try to get more favorable votes. Mosbacher said he had the feeling Senator Cooper might be sympathetic to the position of USIA, CIA and others concerning this section and suggested we talk with Senator Cooper and sound him out on this. He said if Cooper seems at all sympathetic, Senator Baker will follow up on this in an effort to gain his support for Baker's amendment. He also said David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, would be asked to contact Senator Aiken in support of the Baker amendment. Meanwhile Mosbacher asked if we would provide him with the language we have already developed modifying section 205, as reported by the Foreign Relations Committee, in order to meet the requirements of USIA and CIA in case Senator Baker needs this as a fallback position. We told him we would get this material to him.

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25X1 14. [] Met with Jack Ware, Administrative Assistant to Senator Gordon Allott, regarding the amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526) requiring a ten percent cut in the overseas personnel of certain agencies. Ware thought Senator Allott would probably not support a motion to strike the amendment, but would support an exemption for CIA.

25X1 15. [] Talked to William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, regarding the amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, who said he was sure Chairman Ellender would not vote to strike the amendment but might support an exemption for CIA.

25X1 16. [] Talked to Chris Sylvester, Administrative Assistant to Senator Milton Young, regarding the ten percent personnel cut amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526), who said Senator Young would undoubtedly support an exemption for CIA but probably would not support a motion to strike the amendment.

25X1 17. [] In the absence of Senator Henry Jackson, talked to Richard Perle, on the staff of the Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, regarding the ten percent personnel cut amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, who said he thought Senator Jackson would support a motion to strike the amendment or, if such a motion failed, an exemption for CIA. 25X1A

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[REDACTED] Discussed with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, the problem of the ten percent cut in overseas personnel called for in one of the amendments to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526). Braswell pointed out that the White House strategy calling for a motion by Senator Scott to strike the entire provision in question, involved certain hazards. He said if this motion is defeated, it will then be more difficult to get exemptions for individual agencies such as CIA. However, the White House has made up its mind and we agreed there was nothing much we could do at this stage but try to pitch in and get all our friends alerted to support Senator Scott's proposal.

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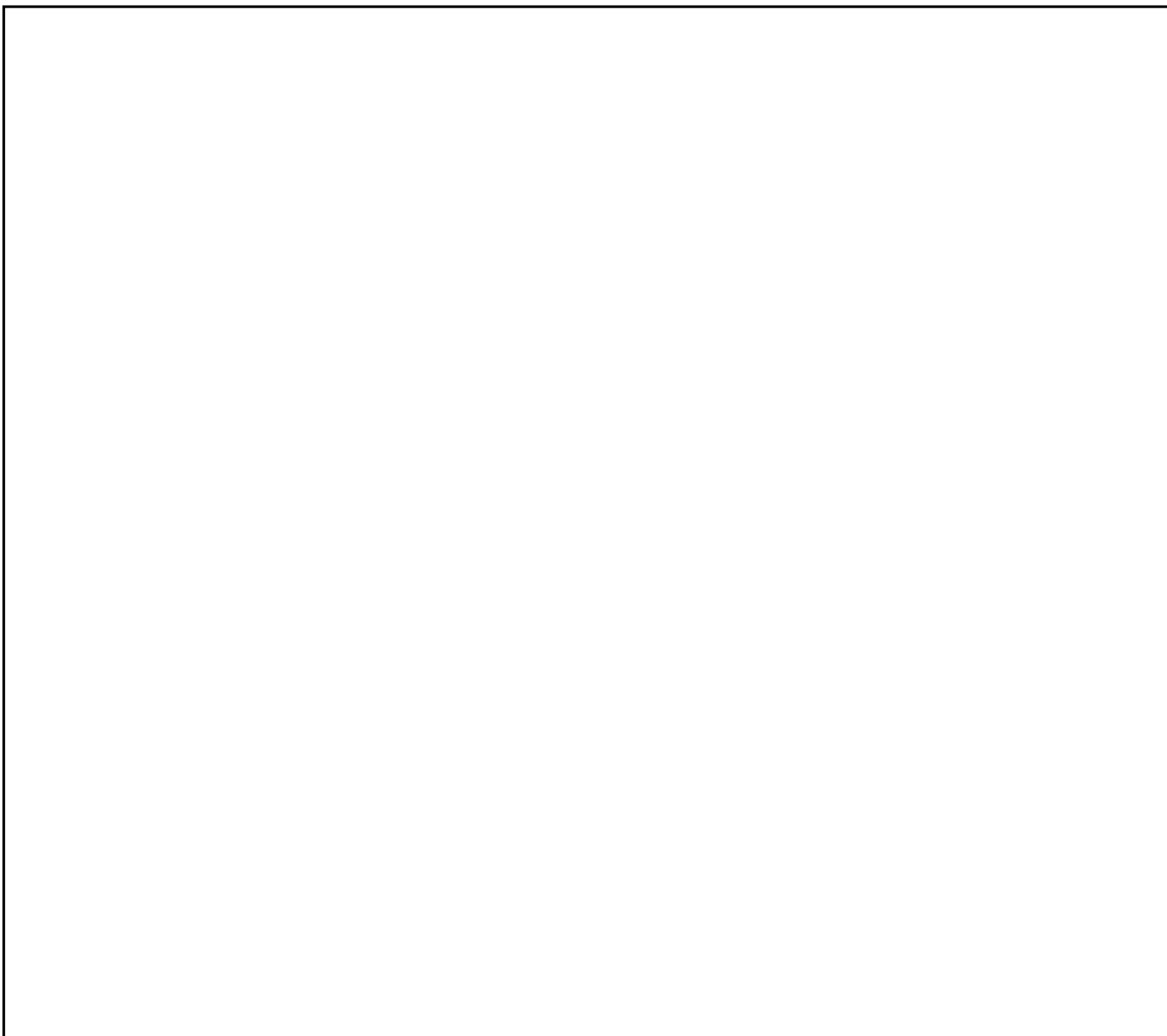
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4. Jim Halmo, Congressional Relations of State Department, called in behalf of David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, to say that they had arranged for Senator Hugh Scott to introduce a motion Monday to strike the ten percent personnel cut provision of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526). He suggested that we alert our supporters on the Hill.

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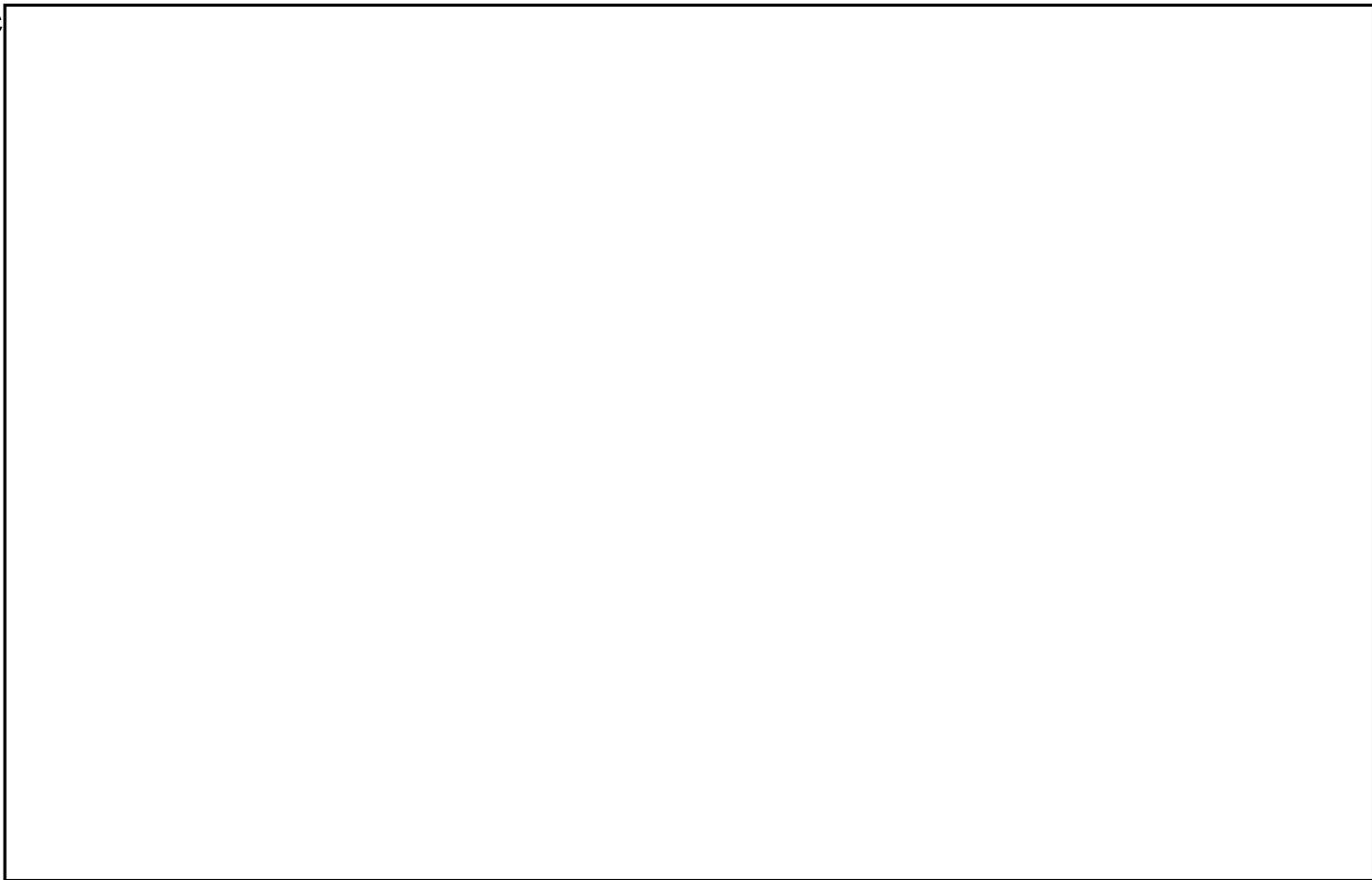
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11. [REDACTED] Marshall Wright, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called to say Tom Korologos, of the White House, has been in touch with Senator Hugh Scott's (R., Pa.) office and believes the Senator will introduce an amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526) striking section 504(a) which would impose a 10 percent personnel cut on U.S. personnel abroad. Wright suggested we get in touch with Scott's office and support this move with whatever material we could provide them and then make our contacts on the Hill to line up votes.

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[REDACTED] Talked to Hannah McCornack, on the staff of Senator Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), about the Senator introducing an amendment to strike the 10 percent personnel cut provision in the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526) and offered to provide her with some material for this purpose. Miss McCornack said Senator Scott is out of the city and they will not know until Monday whether he will agree to submit the amendment, but said she would like to have whatever material we could provide her by Monday morning. I subsequently talked with Charles Ablard, USIA, who said he had given Miss McCornack our material on the motion to strike the 10 percent cut with some modifications which they had made. He said they would send us a copy over the weekend.

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20. [REDACTED] In accordance with Circular A-19 instructions, advised Ralph Malvik, in the Office of Management and Budget, of Mr. Helms' 18 May letter to Chairman Stennis on section 504(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526), explaining that the Senate Armed Services Committee had made an urgent request for a letter concerning the implications of the 10 per cent overseas personnel reduction on the Agency. In response to his request, a copy of the letter was sent to Mr. Malvik. [REDACTED] OPPB, was advised.

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1. [REDACTED] Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called the first thing this morning in connection with the Senate's action last night in approving Senator Bellmon's amendment to section 504(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526) exempting the Department of Agriculture from this section. Braswell said the Bellmon amendment was brought up without prior notice and since Senator Fulbright has indicated he would fight an amendment to delete all of section 504(a) Braswell was going ahead with the specific exemption for CIA. He asked us to provide him with a letter to the Chairman signed by the Director which could be used by Senator Stennis on the floor indicating the Director was seriously concerned about the amendment, pointing out that overseas personnel have already been cut by 20 percent since 1967, and that further cuts would impair activities vital to the national security. Such a letter was prepared, signed by the Director, and delivered to Braswell by mid-morning.

In discussing the personnel cut provision with Messrs. Maury and Cary, Braswell expressed exasperation with the White House in not having Senators on the floor to follow the legislation and coordinate the Administration's efforts. He made it clear he did not feel this was the responsibility either of Senator Stennis or himself. Braswell said he would ask Senator Stennis to submit the amendment for an Agency exemption today. 25X1

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3. [] Talked with Marshall Wright, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, and expressed our concern over the unilateral move by Senator Bellmon yesterday in obtaining an exemption for the Department of Agriculture from the provisions of section 504(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act of 1972 (S. 3526). I told Wright that Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, was proceeding with his efforts to have Senator Stennis obtain a specific exemption for CIA. See Memorandum for the Record.

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7. [] Met with Senator Milton Young whom I briefed on recent developments regarding Indochina, including merchant ship movements and the Soviet and Chinese propaganda line; latest information on Soviet ICBM development; and demonstrations of Soviet military support for Egypt.

I called the Senator's attention to our problems with certain pending legislation, including Foreign Relations Committee amendments to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526). I also commented on some recent malicious allegations about the Agency in the press. The Senator said he would be glad to say something about this if we thought it useful, and I said we might take him up on this.

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8. [] Charles Ablard, General Counsel USIA, called to say Senator Howard Baker had introduced a motion to strike the amendment to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (S. 3526) dealing with dissemination of information by Federal agencies. I told Ablard of our continuing concern over another amendment to this bill, calling for a ten percent personnel cut in the overseas strength of the Agency and other departments. I complained that Senator Bellmon had "jumped the gun" by introducing an amendment exempting the Department of Agriculture from this provision, thus disrupting what I thought had been our coordinated plan. Ablard said Bellmon would have been glad to include other agencies in his amendment but received no support from the White House or anyone else. He commented that it might still not be too late to get Bellmon to introduce a substitute amendment except Bellmon planned to be out of town for the next several days. I said that in view of the present situation we felt we had to move quickly and, in response to a request from Chairman Stennis, had already provided him with backup material for an Agency exemption. However I said if the provision in question could be struck entirely, that would suit us very well. I said we had put our case in the hands of Stennis and it was up to him as to how to handle it.

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